

Monday, March 16, 2015

At a regular meeting of the City Council, in the City of Woonsocket, County of Providence, State of Rhode Island in Harris Hall on Monday, March 16, 2015 at 7 P.M.

All members are present.

The prayer is read by the Clerk. The Pledge of Allegiance is given by the assembly.

The following persons addressed the council under citizens good and welfare: John Reynolds Jr., Philip Labrecque, Roland Michaud and Richard Fagnant.

Upon motion of Councilman Moreau seconded by Councilman Jalette it is voted to dispense with the regular order of business and take up the following resolution:

15 R 33 A resolution authorizing the Mayor or her designee to execute a release of a deed restriction on property located at 46 Hope Street is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Moreau seconded by Councilors Gendron and Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a roll call vote on same being 6-0 with Councilman Beauchamp recusing

himself from this vote.

Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilman Gendron it is voted that the minutes of the regular meeting held March 2nd be approved as submitted, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilman Gendron it is voted that the consent agenda be approved as submitted, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

The following items were listed on the consent agenda:

15 CO 13 A communication from Councilman Gendron to Mayor Baldelli-Hunt regarding agenda items.

15 CO 14 A communication from City Solicitor submitting request for payment of damage claim of Rachel Sorenson.

15 CO 15 A communication from City Solicitor submitting request for payment of damage claim of Rose Lemenager.

15 CO 16 A communication from City Solicitor submitting request for payment of damage claim of Kristy-Lea Gauvin.

15 CO 17 A communication from City Solicitor submitting request for

payment of damage claim of Adam Kujawski.

15 CO 18 A communication from City Solicitor submitting request for payment of damage claim of Debra Lee Stefflin.

15 CO 19 A communication from Planning Director regarding lighting of Renaud Field.

15 LC 7 Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilman Gendron it is voted that the following licenses be granted, a voice vote on same being unanimous: 1 application for Class F license, 1 application for Class F and entertainment license, 1 application for renewal of bowling alley license, 1 application for renewal of firearms license, 21 applications for renewal of holiday licenses, 4 applications for renewal of pool table license, 8 applications for renewal of quarterly entertainment license, 3 applications for renewal of street vendor license and 6 applications for renewal of second hand dealer license. Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilman Gendron it is voted that the holiday license for Loads of Fun Laundromat be granted, a voice vote on same being 6-0 with Councilman Mancieri recusing himself from the vote.

15 LC 8 A request of IBPO Local 404/Copswalk to hold a tag day license on April 18, 2015 is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Moreau seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the license be granted, a voice vote on same

being 4-3 with Councilors Beauchamp, Gendron and Jalette voting no.

15 CP 13 A request of Leno Brunetti to address the council regarding the City of Woonsocket's future elections.

Mr. Brunetti addressed the council.

15 CP 14 A request of James Cournoyer to address the council regarding Economic Development.

Mr. Cournoyer addressed the council.

15 CP 15 A request of Council President Brien to address the following items: A. Brodd, Acting Director of DPW, top to bottom analysis of all things water and wastewater and ten points regarding water treatment plant submitted to the budget commission; Boston rescue run and lack of response from Department of Health; cross connection request from Water Division purportedly at the urging of Department of Health; communication from Ardent Displays and President Donald Budnick; RISE Mayoral academy; Solicitor/City Home Rule Charter provisions; L'affaire Labrecque and Woonsocket Housing Authority.

15 CP 16 Request of Councilman Gendron to address the following items: audited financial statements for fiscal year 2014; civilian

dispatch; police and fire contracts and water treatment plant.

The following remarks are made under good and welfare:

Councilman Beauchamp stated that he is concerned about cross connection legislation and that he will schedule a work session.

President Brien addressed Police Chief regarding a resident of Bernon Mills and Boilermaker's entertainment license application. He stated that he believes referendum to change election year was a mistake and asked how could we revert back.

Councilman Gendron addressed cross connection plan and implementation of minimum requirements. He stated that if election change was incorrect would we revert back to regular cycle. He stated that he attended the Buy Local event and that it was a great event and thanked all who put the event together.

Councilman Jalette addressed Police Chief about stop sign on Greene St. being legitimate and also yield sign on Greene Street. He quoted Providence Journal regarding Providence losing money due to PILOT programs and will it have a negative effect on Woonsocket. He questioned an individual being able to speak with council objections.

Councilman Mancieri requested a follow up on city website request

for proposal. He stated that he will speak to Finance Director regarding assessment value changes and updated name directory. He spoke about press release from RIDOT regarding pothole repairs. He asked about status of street repairs/paving. He spoke to Police Chief regarding out of state license plates. He spoke about five year plan being discussed behind closed doors by the Budget Commission.

Councilman Moreau commented on what homes would need cross connection plan. He questioned re: the council taking a vote to allow the Solicitor to speak.

Councilwoman Murray informed the public that St. Mark's Church will have a day of service September 13th. She asked Police Chief about hiring at animal shelter. She asked about rabies clinic. She asked President Brien for Atty. Alves opinion and wanted clarification of status of next Budget Commission meeting regarding council's participation. She asked Councilman Gendron to provide her with emails regarding Ardent Supply and Mr. Budnick.

15 O 8 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 entitled "Traffic" of the Code of Ordinances, City of Woonsocket which was passed for the first time on March 2nd, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilmen Mancieri and Moreau it is voted that the ordinance be passed, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

15 O 9 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 15 entitled “Parks and Recreation” of the Code of Ordinances, which was passed for the first time on March 2nd, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilmen Beauchamp and Gendron it is voted that the ordinance be passed, a roll call vote on same being 6-1 with Councilman Jalette voting no.

15 O 10 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 15 entitled “Parks and Recreation” of the Code of Ordinances, which was passed for the first time on March 2nd, is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilwoman Murray seconded by Councilman Beauchamp it is voted that the ordinance be passed, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

15 O 11 An ordinance in amendment of Chapter 17 entitled “Traffic” of the Code of Ordinances, City of Woonsocket is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Beauchamp seconded by Councilman Gendron it is voted that the ordinance be passed for the first time, a roll call vote on same being unanimous.

15 R 29 A resolution granting permission to use city property is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilwoman Murray it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

15 R 30 A resolution authorizing and empowering the Mayor and Planning & Development Director to execute a contract with MUSCO Lighting to supply and install a new lighting system at Renaud Field on Newland Avenue is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Jalette seconded by Councilmen Gendron and Mancieri it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

15 R 31 A resolution authorizing the cancellation of certain taxes is read by title, and

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15 R 32 A resolution authorizing the cancellation of certain taxes is read by title, and

Upon motion of Councilman Gendron seconded by Councilman Jalette it is voted that the resolution be passed, a voice vote on same being unanimous.

**Upon motion of Councilman Mancieri seconded by Councilman
Beauchamp it is voted that the meeting be and it is hereby adjourned
at 10:05 P.M.**

Attest:

Christina Harmon-Duarte

City Clerk